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Price Five Cents,

School District of Westfield,
Protestant Public School District
No. 35, of the N. W. Territories.

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting
of the ratepayers of the above District
will be held at Section 22, Township 16,
Range 9 on

WEDNESDAY MARCH 21 1886.

For the purpose of taking a vote on the
proposed action of the Board of Trustees
viz: they propose to borrow by debentures
the sum of FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY
DOLLARS for TEN YEARS at the rate of
8 per cent interest per annum such money
to be expended in the erection of a School
House to cost about \$750.00 and in other
contingent expenses of \$25.00.

The poll will be open from 10 o'clock a.m.
until 4 o'clock p.m.

The qualification of voters is expressed in
the following oath:

"I do solemnly swear that I am a
bona-fide ratepayer of Westfield Protestant
Public School District No. 35; that I have
paid the school taxes assessed against me on
the last revised assessment roll of the dis-
trict or of the municipality for the district
that I am of the full age of twenty-one years;
that I am not an alien or unfranchised
Indian; that I have not voted before at this
election, and that I have not received any
reward either directly or indirectly, nor
have I any hope of receiving a reward for
voting at this time and place. So help me
God."

EPHRAIM McCULLOCH,
Secy. to Board of Trustees,
Westfield, March 19th 1886.

TENDERS
To Millers and others in the Northwest Ter-
ritories and in Manitoba West of the
First Principal Meridian only.

SEALED TENDERS, accompanied by
One Hundred Pound Stamp, and
undered "Tender for Flour," will be received
at the undermentioned Indian Agencies,
in the North-West Territories, up to noon
of Thursday, the twenty-ninth of April,
1886.

AGENTS. AGENTS.
H. Martineau, The Narrows, Lake
Manitoba.
J. A. Markle, Crooked Lakes.
W. S. Grant, Assiniboine Reserve.
P. J. Williams, Pie Lake.
J. E. Lash, Mississauga's Re-
serve.

H. Keith, Touchwood Hills.
J. M. Rae, Prince Albert.
J. P. Wright, Battleford.
J. A. McNeil, Victoria.
W. Anderson, Edmonton.
S. B. Lucas, Peace Hills.
W. Pilkington, Fort MacLeod.
M. Begg, Blackfoot Crossing.
W. C. or Ballinhard, Sarses Reserve.

Forms of tender, giving full particulars
relative to the quality, quantity and mode
of delivery of the flour required, may be had
on application to any of the above-named
Agents, or from the Indian Commissioner
for Manitoba and the North-West Ter-
ritories, Regina; and the tender will be en-
tered which is not made out on one of the
forms in the hands of the Agents or of the
Indian Commissioner for distribution to in-
tending tenders. Each tender must be
accompanied by an accepted cheque, ap-
proved by the Indian Agent for the District, for
at least five per cent of the amount thereof,
which will be forfeited if the tenderer de-
clines to enter into a contract when called
upon to do so, or if he fails to fulfil his
contract to the satisfaction of the Depart-
ment. If the tenderer prefers to do so he
may deposit with the Agent, in lieu of an
accepted cheque, the names of any Chartered
Bank in Canada to an equal amount.
Cheques or cash accompanying tenders not
accepted will be returned, but a cheque de-
posited by a successful tenderer will be re-
tained until the satisfactory completion of
his contract. Each tenderer is required to
show in his tender the full value of all the
flour which he is prepared to deliver under
contract or his tender will not be entertain-
ed.

Each tender must, in addition to the
signature of the tenderer, be signed by two
sureties acceptable to the Department. For
the proper performance of the contract, the
Tenders will be entertained for a portion
of the whole quantity of flour required at
any given point.

Tenders residing near one Agency but
desiring to tender at a distant point, may be
entirely partly by rail, contractors must make
proper arrangements for their flour to be
forwarded at once from railway stations to
its destination in the Government Ware-
houses at the point of destination.

The lowest, or any tender, not neces-
sarily accepted.

L. VANHOUGHNET,
Deputy of the Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, 29th January, 1886.

STRAYED.

Strayed into my premises, N.E. 4 26, 18,
14 on March Second, a Chestnut pony
mare. The owner is requested to prove
property, pay expenses and take her away.
A. YOUNG.

Teacher Wanted.

For Mount Pleasant School Edgely.
Duties to commence on or before the 1st of
May, 1886, male or female, apply stating
qualifications and salary per month.

J. H. FRASER,
F. P. GOODWIN,
(Geo. SCARFF,
Edgely, P. O.

Teacher Wanted.

For Summerhill School District; duties
to commence 1st April, 1886. Apply stating
qualifications and salary required, to
Secretary Summerhill School District, Sum-
merhill P. O., Assn.

NOTICE.

A meeting of the ratepayers of Mount
Pleasant School District No. 29, will be held
on Thursday the 18th inst., at one o'clock
p.m. at Edgely Post Office for the purpose
of selecting a School site.

J. H. FRASER,
Chairman.

Edgely, March 18th, 1886.

NOTICE.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
POPLAR GROVE.
Protestant Public School District
No. 31 of the Northwest Territories.

A special meeting of the ratepayers of the
above District will be held at the residence
of H. Mitchell, Sec. 32 T. 17 R. 9 on

SATURDAY, APRIL 3rd 1886,

for the purpose of taking a vote on the pro-
posed action of the Board of Trustees viz:
The Board propose to borrow on the security
of the above mentioned District a sum of
FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS for a period
of FIVE YEARS at 8 per cent per annum
and money to be expended in building and
furnishing a suitable School House.

The poll will be open from 10 o'clock a.m.
until 4 o'clock p.m.

The qualification of voters is expressed in
the following oath:
"I do solemnly swear I am a bona-
fide ratepayer of Poplar Grove Protestant
Public School District No. 31; that I have
paid the school taxes assessed against me on
the last revised assessment roll of the dis-
trict or of the municipality for the district
that I am of the full age of twenty-one years;
that I am not an alien or unfranchised Indian;
that I have not voted before at this election; and
that I have not received any reward either
directly or indirectly nor have I any hope of
receiving any reward for voting at this time
and place. So help me God."

ROBERT SIMMONS,
Secy. of Board of Trustees,
March 12th 1886.

NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that
the Trustees of
"Indian Head School District
No. 49."

Desire to borrow by debentures the sum of
FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS for the term
of TEN YEARS at eight per cent of the
best per annum. Eight hundred dollars of
this sum for the purpose of erecting school
buildings; two hundred dollars for the
purchase of land and two hundred dollars
for furniture, manured at the rate of \$1.00
per acre.

A vote of the ratepayers of the said dis-
trict will be taken on the above at Fish-
leigh & Dillons store on

Saturday the 20th day of March, next.
The qualification of voters is expressed in
the following oath, which persons desiring
to vote must take if required:

"I do solemnly swear that I am a
bona-fide ratepayer of School District No.
49; that I have paid the school taxes assess-
ed against me on the last revised assessment
roll of the district or of the municipality for
the district; that I am of the full age of
twenty-one years; that I am not an alien or
unfranchised Indian; that I have not voted
before at this election, and that I have not
received any reward either directly or
indirectly, nor have I any hope of receiv-
ing any reward for voting at this time and
place. So help me God."

W. A. B. FISHLIGHT,
Chairman.
Indian Head, Feb. 24th 1886.

Regal.

LESLIE GORDON,
NOTARY PUBLIC, COMMISSIONER,
COMMISSIONER FOR MANITOBA &c.
Agent for Canada North West Land Co.
and Qu'Appelle Town Site.

FOR & LEE TOWN SITE. MONEY TO LEND.
QU'APPELLE STATION, N.W.T.

Banquet to Mr. Perley, M.N.W.C.

On Wednesday night of last week
a complimentary banquet was given
to Mr. W. D. Perley, M. N. W. C.
by his constituents, on the occasion
of his return from Ottawa where he
had gone as one of a delegation of
three members of the Northwest
Council to press upon the Dominion
Government the favorable con-
sideration of certain resolutions
adopted by the Council at its last
session. Mr. A. Pritchard of the
Wolsley House provided the din-
ner which was served in the town
hall, and an excellent one it was. It
would have done credit to a much
larger town, and upwards of sixty of
the leading men of the district par-
took of the splendid spread. Mr.
J. P. Dill ably presided as chair-
man and Mr. L. Thompson as ably
filled the vice chair. After a brief
speech the chairman proposed the
toast "The Queen and royal family,"
which was responded to by singing
"God save the Queen," and followed
by "His Excellency Lord Lansdowne
Governor-General of Canada. The
toast "His Honor Lieut.-Governor
Dewdney" was responded to by
singing "He's a jolly good fellow."

The vice chairman proposed "The
Dominion Parliament," coupled
with the name of Mr. Leslie Gor-
don, of Qu'Appelle, who appropriate-
ly replied. The chairman proposed
"The Northwest Council," coupled
with the names of Mr. Chas. Mar-
shall, and Mr. John Seord,
members of that body. This toast
was enthusiastically received.

In responding Mr. Marshall
said he was thankful for the hearty
manner in which the toast had
been drunk, and thought it was only
natural that it should be so received,
because it was of great importance
to the people of the Territories as it
was their only government. Ob-
jections had been raised to its con-
stitution, but it could hardly have
been framed in a different manner
to what it was at present. The
chief objection was to the appointed
members of the Council, but what
would have that body been without
them. He referred in eulogistic
terms to Judge Richardson and
other appointed members, and said
that the days of the present Coun-
cil were, however, numbered. The
law was that when the number of
elected members reached twenty-one
there should be no more nominees,
all were to be elected. That time
would come soon enough without
rushed toward it. He then referred
to the elected members, mentioning
Mr. Perley as one whom he respect-
fully highly. He did not say it
because Mr. Perley was present.
He considered him possessed of a
large amount of practical common
sense, imbued with a heartiness and
determination to carry out success-
fully what he undertook. The
delegates had been selected by
ballot, and Mr. Perley had received
the largest number of votes of any
member of the Council to go to Ot-
tawa to look after the affairs of the
people. Mr. Marshall then dealt
at some length with the ordinances
passed at the last session of the
Northwest Council, and referred to
the valuable assistance rendered by
Mr. Perley. That gentleman was a
tower of strength to the constitu-
ency he represented. He was
possessed of a large amount of real
honesty of purpose, zeal and en-
thusiasm, and had the ability to se-
cure success on their behalf. He
would serve them zealously and
faithfully, but never himself. They
were sure of their man, and they
should keep him there. Mr. Mar-
shall concluded by a favorable
reference to His Honor, Lieut.-Gov-
ernor Dewdney. He thought that
in view of Mr. Dewdney's experi-
ence the country would be losing
time and being ground by making
in change at present. He should be

continued in office another term, for
by so doing the benefit of his ex-
perience would be retained and time
would be gained. Mr. Marshall
thanked them for the hearty man-
ner in which they received the toast
and sat down amid applause.

Mr. Seord said he felt a great
deal of pleasure in being present at
this banquet given to honor Mr.
Perley, for the reason that there is no
man he respected more than that
gentleman. There were many things
done at the last session of the North
West Council, and there was none
more important than the sending of
the delegates to Ottawa. No money
was spent to better advantage than
sending men there to represent our
interests, and that the delegation
had met with success there was no
doubt. This was very largely due
to the very able manner in which
Mr. Perley had represented us.
He had a good case. There was no
outrageous or unjust demands, and
to him is due the credit of represent-
ing our case well. Mr. Seord re-
ferred to Mr. Perley's course in the
Northwest Council and said he had
by his outspoken and fearless
manner gained the respect of every
member of the Council, and it spoke
well for the intelligence of his con-
stituents to have sent such a man
to represent them. He also referred
at some length to the different
ordinances passed at the last session
of the Council, and concluded by
thanking them for the hearty man-
ner in which they had drunk the
toast in honor of that body.

Mr. Dill, the chairman, then pro-
posed the toast of the evening in
brief but appropriate terms. "Our
representative, Mr. W. D. Perley,"
was most enthusiastically received
and given three cheers and a tiger.

When Mr. Perley rose to reply
there was a perfect storm of loud
and prolonged applause.

[Owing to the fact that we are
unable to give Mr. Perley's speech
in full this week, for want of time
spent in moving and getting settled
in our new quarters and the crowd-
ed state of our columns, we are
compelled to hold it over till next
week, in order that we may make it
complete as possible, as there was
much that will be of benefit to our
readers.]

The usual toasts followed Mr.
Perley, and one of the most en-
thusiastic and successful banquets
ever held in the Northwest was
terminated by singing "God save
the Queen."

BATTLEFORD.

From the Herald.

Geo. Gossip has been appointed
farming instructor on Little Pine re-
serve, and J. H. Price on Red Pheas-
ants.

A change of Indian agents has been
made at Prince Albert. Mr. Rae be-
ing succeeded by Charles Adams, for-
merly of the Hudson Bay Company.

An Indian was arrested on Friday
last under the provisions of the Vag-
rancy Act for being in town without a
pass. This is the first time this act
has been enforced there.

At the sale of surplus oats on Tues-
day last very good prices were realized,
the average being about seventy
five cents per bushel. The oats were
sold in small lots varying from ten to
fifty bags. The sweeping sold for
\$842.

WHITEWOOD.

A concert will be given in con-
nection with St. Mary's church, on
Friday March 26th, at half-past 19
o'clock (7.30 p.m.). An excellent
program has been prepared and a
treat may be expected. After the
concert there will be a dance. Sup-
per will be served at the Whitehead
hotel at 12 o'clock p.m. Admission
single tickets 50 cents. Double
tickets to admit lady and gentleman,
75 cents.

THE C. P. R. AS A MILITARY ROUTE.

Mr. T. J. Lawrence, Sir William
Harcourt's deputy in the Whewell
Professorship of International Law
at Cambridge, has published a re-
cent edition of his essays on "Some
Disputed Questions of Modern In-
ternational Law." In the chapter
devoted to the Suez Canal we find a
passage worthy of note from the
clearness with which it sets forth
some of the Imperial advantages
which will flow from the completion
of the C. P. R. Mr. Lawrence's
contention is, that the successful ac-
complishment of this undertaking
materially strengthens Great Brit-
ain's position with regard to the
Suez Canal and the east, from a di-
plomatic as well as a military stand-
point. For we are reminded that
when the line is in complete work-
ing order it will be possible for the
1,000 or 2,000 British troops, station-
ed at Halifax to be dispatched
immediately across the continent
by rail on receipt of cable orders
from the home Government. In
five days they could be at Vancou-
ver, and, increased by reinforcements
from Singapore and Hong-Kong, the
force, now numbering three or four
thousand men, could be in India
thirty-eight or thirty-nine days from
leaving Halifax. To reach Calcutta
from England, via Gibraltar and
Suez, occupies practically the per-
iod, so that between the two routes
there is little to choose on the score
of time. But for the Canadian ser-
vice this important advantage can-
certainly be claimed—"As long as
we keep command of the sea it is
perfectly safe from end to end."

The bearing of these facts is ob-
vious. Suppose—we are merely
summarizing the case Mr. Lawrence
puts—suppose trouble arise in In-
dia at a time when it would be
highly imprudent to reduce our
Mediterranean garrisons. The un-
certainties and dangers of the eastern
route would be great and serious.
Via Canada eight or nine
days more would be required. But
this delay would be lessened by
the sending forward of the Halifax
garrison, as suggested above; and
above all the route would be per-
fectly secure. Hence the true po-
licy for the authorities at home
plainly is to stand prepared to use
either route, or both, as circum-
stances may direct, and promptly to
push forward the much required for-
fications at Victoria. Another
element of gain, however must not
be overlooked. It is apparent that
as we are less absolutely depend-
ant upon the Suez Canal than we
were, we have far greater liberty of
action in dealing with the other powers
in respect of it than ever before.
"Now that we have an alternative
route to India, we may be able to
purchase other advantages in the
settlement of Egyptian affairs, by
giving our consent to an arrange-
ment concerning the Canal, which
prudence would formerly have com-
pelled us to decline." Such, briefly
stated, are some of the points
brought out in this portion of Mr.
Lawrence's lectures which we re-
mark, it will be seen, are weighty
enough to deserve attention in in-
fluential quarters, both at home
and abroad.—Canadian Gazette.

REGINA.

—Messrs Gibson, Fred. G. Smith,
Banker, and J. H. Benson, barrister
went to the Fort on Monday to at-
tend the sale of the Macdonald
estate. This estate has been in
the courts for two years.

A valuable clause has been in-
serted in the liquor license bill
now before the Ontario Legislature,
making it an offence to knowingly
sell liquor to a person who sells
without a license.

OUR RATES.

Subscription price: \$1.00 per annum, in advance; single copies 5 cents.

The rates for our advertising space by contract are as follows:

	One	Three	One	Three	One	Three
	month	month	month	month	month	month
One column	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$60.00	\$75.00
Half column	5.00	12.50	17.50	25.00	30.00	37.50
Quarter column	2.50	6.25	8.75	12.50	15.00	18.75
Three inches	2.00	5.00	7.00	10.00	12.00	15.00
Two inches	1.50	3.75	5.25	7.50	9.00	11.25

Business cards: \$1.00 per month payable quarterly.

The above rates do not apply to auction sales, entertainments, tenders, meetings, legal notices, or anything of a transitory nature. Transient advertisements, 10 cents per line first insertion, 5 cents per line each additional insertion. Yearly advertisements allowed to be changed monthly, if offered \$1.00 will be charged for each additional change.

Business locals, 50 cents for first insertion, 25 cents for each additional word.

The publisher reserves the right to refuse to insert advertisements of a questionable or objectionable character.

Address, JAMES WEIDMAN,
Qu'Appelle Station, Assin.
P. J. WEIDMAN, Proprietor.

TOO GRASPING.

The Regina Leader had an article last week in reference to the mail service between the C. P. R. and the settlements on the Saskatchewan to the north. Naturally the Leader is anxious to advance the interests of Regina, and if it does so with giving correct and reliable information should be commended, but when it resorts to grossly exaggerated misstatements to take away from Qu'Appelle that which nature provided should be her right, then every right thinking person should condemn it. The people of Regina have been told periodically ever since the existence of the town that the capital of the Northwest was wrongly located when it was fixed at present. That having, however, been settled there, it has attached an importance to the place it could never have attained to in the natural order of things. But, though it may be the capital, and though their post office has been generously built and officered by the Government, there are no reasons why the mail route from the C. P. R. to Prince Albert and settlements north should be changed from the route that was followed long before Regina had an existence. The Leader calls the present route "circumitous and expensive." Such is not, however, the opinion of the contractors who have to carry the mails. They feel strongly on the matter, and their opinion on this point must certainly be of some value; they cannot be prejudiced as it is purely a matter of dollars and cents to them, and not a question of whether this or that locality would be benefited. It is noteworthy that in this connection when tenders were asked for carrying the mails in 1889, when the route was also sought to be changed, that higher figures were asked for from Regina. The Leader talks glibly of the Regina and Long Lake Railway, but it is time enough to talk about that route when it is in successful operation, which it is not now, and there is no indication that it will be in the near future. It also says that a shorter and more direct route could be obtained from Regina. That looks like a venturesome statement and somewhat indefinite, but in its issue of this week it quotes Mr. T. O. Davis of Prince Albert as saying that it would be 100 to 150 miles shorter. Mr. Davis must either be a notorious fabricator of fulminating enlargements, or he was stuffing the gullible Reginites with taffy, or he never said what the Leader credits him with saying. We prefer to accept the latter alternative, for Regina is only thirty three miles west of Qu'Appelle, and to offset that short westerly distance it is six miles further south than this place. So that to take an air line from Qu'Appelle to Regina to Prince Albert the greatest possible difference in favor of Regina would only be four miles, if the natural conformation of the country to be travelled were equal in both cases, which it is not. Then too, the settlements should be taken into consideration. An independent mail service would be required from here twice the distance north than from Regina. There is much that can be truthfully said in favor

of the present route as compared with that proposed from Regina, and we will probably have occasion to again refer to the matter.

A SAMPLE BRICK.

The following is a specimen of Videtteism:

"We understand that THE PROGRESS man has imported a writer whose business it will be, to use his own elegant language, to 'give us —,' well, we will not use the word in case we might be considered vulgar, and we have no Frenchman around to put vulgarity and nastiness into classic lingo."

Well really, somebody must have been stuffing the editor of the Vidette at a tremendous rate. We have not imported a writer for THE PROGRESS, as we have no occasion to do so. The publisher whose name appears in our columns is also the editor and he, and he alone, does the writing for THE PROGRESS. He does not require, or permit, the assistance of outsiders in editing his paper. Can the Vidette say as much? And then as to the language which our contemporary attributes to that writer (with regard to whom it has been so effectually stuffed) as 'his own elegant language,' all we have to say is, when the Vidette is half as gentlemanly and respectful as we have been towards its editor in dealing with the baseless columnies he has fabricated to injure us, then it will not be so eager to be gulled by anything that may be said by somebody who has been poking fun at it under the sugar coat of flattery.

HITS THE NAIL.

The following from the Regina Leader hits the nail on the head respecting the Videtteism on THE PROGRESS.

"The Fort Qu'Appelle Vidette is determined to have the gore of the Qu'Appelle Progress published at Qu'Appelle Station and accuses the editor of the latter of having been purchased by the Lieutenant Governor. In the same breath he says the editor of the Progress is a dyed in the wool Tory. This is not consistent. These accusations of having been purchased generally come from people who are desirous of being bought. The virtuous are ever charitable, and innocence easily believes in innocence, but people of easy virtue suspect in others what they know to be in themselves. We can imagine nothing more edifying than the controversy at present going forward."

BRICKS WANTED.

A number of gentlemen intend building in this town the coming season, and they say they would use brick if it were to be had here. An examination of the clay in this vicinity by an experienced brick-maker reveals the fact that we have an abundance of excellent brick clay awaiting the fortunate man that may engage in the manufacture of that class of building material. And then too there is lots of fuel to be had at a very small cost. Wood is to be had by the hundred cord for \$2.50 per cord cut green, or \$3 for dry. With plenty of good clay and fuel brick can be made very cheaply here, and there would be a ready market for large quantities. At a town in Southern Manitoba which is not near so thriving as Qu'Appelle, the manufacture of brick has been very successfully carried on for some few years past. The man that is desirous of starting in the brick making business could find no better prospecting than at Qu'Appelle. The materials are ready to hand, and the market would not have to be created. There would be an immediate demand for a considerable quantity, with an increasing demand if a supply could be had. We trust some enterprising party or parties will engage in the business the coming season, as a much felt want would then be supplied.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Winnipeg daily Sun is shortly to be revived by a company of which Mr. Goldwin Smith will be a member, and will contribute to the columns of the paper. Mr. T. H. Preston, the former manager of the Sun, will be the manager of the new company. The old Sun did well as a business venture, and if the new Sun is as honest and straightforward as it was, though our opinions differ from it, we wish it success.

The Vidette "declines to notice us further." Oh! We never asked the Vidette to notice us. Nobody attaches any value to the Vidette's recognition. And as to its calling upon us to disprove the charges made by Mr. Jackson. That is a very singular mode of procedure. The usual custom under the good old British law is for the accuser to prove the charges he makes. This both Mr. Jackson and the Vidette have failed to do. When Mr. Jackson attacked Mr. Dewdney's administration of the Indian Department in the Northwest Council, the fullest enquiry was courted by Mr. Dewdney, but Mr. Jackson failed to demand it. We say to the Vidette "once and for all," prove "the charges or hold your peace."

—It is generally known to the public that the several Colonization Companies applied to the Government some months ago with a view to the final settlement of their contracts with the Government, as the five years allowed to settle their tract was about up, and but few of them had fulfilled the requirements of the Colonization Act. The minister has issued a circular to all the companies stating the subject of the proposed settlement has received his serious consideration; and while recognizing in some cases the companies have proved of good advantage in the settlement of the country, he cannot see his way clear to accept the settlement as proposed by the companies. He will however be glad to treat with each individual company either by closing their contract, or arranging for its continuance on such terms as may be considered reasonable. It is impossible to adopt a general basis of settlement which would be applicable to all the companies. The minister therefore would be glad to open negotiations with each company with a view of arranging a basis of settlement at an early date.

THE NORTHWEST COMMISSION.

Mr. Henry Munn, of Drumbo, Ont., one of the official arbitrators of the Dominion, has arrived in the city as a member of the commission, to settle rebellion claims in the Northwest. He was a member of the old commission, as was also his associate, Mr. J. L. O'Neil, of Montreal. The awards made by the last commission have all been accepted. Fifty per cent. of the amount has been paid, and the balance will be paid as soon as the grant has been made by Parliament. The third member of the present commission is Mr. Thomas McKay, a gentleman, by origin and experience, well qualified for the duty before him. Mr. George H. Young, of this city, is the secretary. The commission will leave at once for Prince Albert, its authority being to take evidence, hear, adjudicate and determine upon the claims of all loyal people and to settle all claims of damage whatsoever. They expect the work will take some three or four months, as there are 6,000 or 7,000 claims already presented to be disposed of, in addition to others that may yet be put in. After Prince Albert such other places will be visited as will best meet the convenience of settlers. Battleford being first taken in and then Fort Qu'Appelle, Regina, Qu'Appelle, etc. Then Prince Albert will be again visited to dispose of the larger claims of storekeepers and others in which Winnipeggers are interested. From the composition of the commission there is no question the work will be satisfactorily performed.

FROM THE CAPITAL.

Ottawa, March 13.—Mr. Royal was followed by Mr. Gignault, one of the bolting Blues, who took strong ground against the Government, and announced the severance of his former political ties. Mr. Clarke Wallace flaunted the Orange flag, and taunted the Opposition with a fast and loose manner of playing with questions. Mr. Cameron, in a violent harangue, stated that he would support Mr. Laundry's motion, but this is not to be taken as the policy of the majority of the Liberals. They are waiting to see Mr. Blake's course, but he discreetly keeps his council, and may possibly not yet have decided what to do. It is admitted that the Government will be sustained and the majority is estimated at from 20 to 30, being largely dependent on Mr. Blake's course. The Minister of Justice speaks next.

Of the total excise revenue for the past fiscal year, \$6,438,683, spirits and malt contributed \$4,764,355, and tobacco, \$1,588,000.

Sir George Stephen and others are asking for an act of incorporation for the St. Lawrence & Atlantic Junction Railway, Sir George Stephen is here at present.

A rumor is current here that the Canadian Paper Company, of Montreal, is the lowest tenderer for the parliamentary printing, and in view of the possibility of securing it are looking for premises here for a big printing establishment.

Mr. Beatty, of the Northwest Central claims to have made all financial arrangements for pushing the work so soon as the necessary legislation is obtained.

Mr. McCarthy introduced a bill to amend the Dominion Elections Act so as to extend the hours of polling, so far as cities were concerned, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sir Hector Langevin said branches of the Post Office Savings Bank would be established at important points in Manitoba as necessity requires.

Senator McInnes has given notice of the following motion: "Resolved, That in the opinion of this House justice and expediency both demand that the Central, or Prairie section, and the Western, or Pacific section of the Dominion should each be represented in the Queen's Privy Council of Canada."

Ottawa, March 11.—W. J. Scott, of Battleford, is here, and he and Jack Oliver, who went west the other day, have been trying to have the services of the Battleford boys during the late unpleasantness recognized by the Government. They claim that Nos. 1 and 2 companies of Battleford militia were raised just before the outbreak and the Government would be warranted by including the members in the list of those entitled to scrip. These companies were duly enrolled on 29th March, 1885, and were chiefly composed of those who feeling that in the isolated position each was in, it was hopeless to protect their individual homesteads, and who decided to meet and enroll in Battleford prepared to do duty whenever required. It is also urged that from the defenceless position of Battleford, there being only 35 police there, it was evident these companies could render most effective service in defending the police barracks, which contained a large amount of government stores, from pillage by the Indians, and it was due to this force, supplemented by Capt. Mark's Battleford Rifles and a few of the police, that Battleford was enabled to hold out until relieved by Col. Otter. In addition to their other duties, it is further urged, certain members did extra work in building a bridge across the Battle River, but their claim for that work was disallowed by the war claims commissioners, who decided that as these men militiamen they were only entitled to their regular pay; that they were paid at the same rate as the volunteer and drew the same rations; and that after the arrival of Otter these two companies still continued doing duty, taking orders from the colonel himself. These facts, with a mention of the death of poor Frank Smart, and the wounding of another member, whose arm has since been amputated, are stated in a petition to Parliament, and it is believed that the appeal will not be in vain.

Ottawa, March 11.—Landry's motion of censure on the Government for the execution of Louis Riel came up this afternoon. The mover read an hour's speech in French,

followed by Sir Hector Langevin in English, who gave a history of the rebellion, justifying the action of the Government, and concluded by moving the previous question. Mr. Amyott followed in English, making a three hour's speech. As soon as the doors were opened in the afternoon and evening the galleries were crowded to excess. Intense interest in the debate was manifested by outsiders, but very little by the members. Mr. Royal moved the adjournment of the debate at 11 o'clock. The debate will likely last tomorrow and Monday. Sir Adolphe Caron will talk tomorrow.

Hon. Mr. Royal, of Manitoba, is being talked of for the Lieutenant-Governorship of the Northwest Territories. But there is a possibility that Dewdney will get another term.

It is now expected the discussion on the Landry motion will be confined to the French members, and afterwards the matter will be reintroduced by the Liberals in another shape.

The number of land warrants issued to volunteers is 5,096. There are about 100 more claims to consider.

Messrs. Sutherland, Ross, Scott and Royal, M. P's, with C. S. Drummond and Rorie McLellan, interviewed Hon. Thomas White yesterday with reference to certain modifications in the land grant to the Hudson Bay road to which the Minister gave a very favorable reply, and it is expected the wishes of the deputation will be granted.

Joseph Royal has received a letter from French capitalists making enquiries for the fullest particulars of the enterprise, stating that if the answers are satisfactory they will supply all necessary capital. Mr. Sutherland has the letter and takes it with him to the old country. He left yesterday and will visit Paris before he returns.

Col. Irvine, denies that there is any truth whatever in his rumored resignation, the report of which doubtless originated from an expressed desire on his part some time ago to retire from the force. At that time, for private reasons, he wished to sever his connection with the police, but shortly afterwards the troubles began, and he of course could not retire then, and since that time matters had not reached that state that he could with honor withdraw from the force.

Advice from Labrador state that below Esquimaux Point to Blanc Sablon the people are starving. They killed in January 500 dogs. They ate dog meat every day to save lives. Late last November a ship was sent from Newfoundland with a load of provisions, and in a great storm was lost and never heard of. The Bishop of Esquimaux Point has written to the Government asking that provisions be sent him as soon as navigation opens, as there is going to be starvation there this spring. At Pentecost many families are begging for food, and there is none to give them. At Point Elenmont no more flour is to be had. The people are in a starving condition.

Montreal, March 11.—The largest fire in Montreal for a long time occurred yesterday afternoon, destroying the business places of the following firms: Soune & Leroy, E. Lee Chestermeister, Park Bros. & Co., the Diamond Steel Works, Brown Bros., manufacturers' agents of New Rockland Slate Co., the China and earthenware house of J. L. Cassidy & Co., P. M. Galonier's store, Compagnie Centrale de New York, Morgenstern, Brown & Co., (wholesale dealers in liquors and groceries), and E. R. Cain & Co. (wholesale dry goods). The aggregate loss is about \$200,000; well insured. One fireman is missing.

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THE INTERIOR. Synopsis of Annual report.

Ottawa, March 8.—The Minister of the Interior laid the report of the Department on the table this afternoon. It consists of five parts: the first relates to Dominion lands; the second to Dominion land surveys; the third to the geological survey; the fourth to the Northwest Territories; and the fifth is the report of the Northwest Half-breed Commission.

"STAKED CLAIMS."

The first part of the Land Commissioner's report deals with the subject of staked claims. The staked claims are claims for land which arose under an interpretation put by the half-breeds on the Manitoba Act of 1870. A very large number of French half-breeds took up locations situated on the Red, Assiniboine and Seine rivers in July, 1870, by planting two posts on the front of the lot near the bank of the river, one post for each limit. These became known as the "staked claims." The first formal notification of the existence of these claims, which is on file in the Department, is the report of a meeting held at St. Norbert in February, 1873. At that meeting a delegation was appointed to wait upon Col. Dennis, then Surveyor-General, in Winnipeg, to learn from him the intentions of the Government. Col. Dennis said he could hold out no encouragement that the Government would recognize the claim as coming under the provisions of the Manitoba Act, but would write to the Department. His letter was referred to the then Minister of Justice, Mr. Fournier, who decided that such claims could not be recognized. In March, 1875, more than a year after Col. Dennis's letter had been referred to Mr. Fournier, he, as Minister of Justice, advised the Department of the Interior not to initiate any legislation with regard to staked claims, but to investigate and deal with each case on its merits. Another year rolled away, and in April, 1876, an order-in-Council was passed that any claims surveyed by either of the two surveyors duly authorized for the purpose by the Council of Assiniboia, should be considered as claims under the Manitoba Act; but that any not so surveyed or occupied, being merely marked out by posts, prior to the 15th July, 1870, were not entitled to consideration. On the 24th October, 1877, the Minister of the Interior sent a letter to the agent of the Dominion containing instructions for his guidance in dealing with these staked claims. On the 20th December, 1877, Rev. Father Lacombe wrote to Hon. Mr. Pelletier strongly urging that these staked claims be allowed as claims under the Manitoba Act. In April, 1878, the agent of Dominion lands forwarded Roger Goulet's report on these claims, and in reply he was informed on the 7th June, 1878, that the Minister had not had time to look into them. The subject engaged the attention of the new Government in 1879, and 3,258 cases have been disposed of, leaving but a few unsettled. A great amount of work has been done in settling the Manitoba half-breed supplementary claims, so much so that orders have been issued and duly published informing all that no further claims of this kind will be entertained after the 1st of May next.

CANCELLATION OF HOMESTEADS.

As regards cancellations of homesteads and pre-emptions, much good work has been done. The Deputy Minister says: "No entry is ever cancelled by the Land Board until after a special inspection and report by an officer of the department. To the bona-fide settler the utmost clemency and consideration are invariably extended. It is of course impossible for the department and the Land Board to accept anything less than the complete fulfillment of the duties prescribed by the law before the issue of a Patent grant would be of no value whatever it obtained without the fulfillment of those conditions, and

would be liable to be attacked and invalidated in a court of law by any person who chooses to take the trouble to do so. As to the cancellation of entries, however, the law permits greater latitude, and it has been the invariable rule to protect every settler who is complying with the spirit, if not with the actual letter, of the law." The Deputy Minister remarks: "I am happy to say that, although there has been a great falling off in the number of settlers taking up land during the past year, there has been a marked improvement in the performance of settlement duties by homesteaders generally." As to homestead and pre-emption the Deputy Minister says: "The unfortunate half-breed and Indian outbreak, which commenced during the month of March last, just in time to check the rising tide of immigration, has had the effect of seriously diminishing the number of homestead and pre-emption entries made at the several agencies during the year. The comparative statement following will show the extent of the falling off:

	1884.	1885.
Homestead, acres.....	333,289	219,252
Pre-emptions, acres.....	361,069	106,213
Sales, acres.....	213,172	126,649

The total area disposed of by the department in homesteads, pre-emptions and sales since the opening of the Northwest is 10,930,045. The total receipts up to the 31st October, 1885, amounted to \$4,675,673, derived from the following sources: Homestead and pre-emption \$486,690; ordinary sales (cash) \$336,647; scrip, \$791,878; and sales to colonization companies, \$857,458.

THE DOMINION LANDS ACT.

In the opinion of the Land Board the Dominion Lands Act should be amended.

1. That a settler, for the first two years after entry, may hold his homestead without personal residence, through cultivation or other improvement only; and that at the expiration of this period he should be required to reside upon and cultivate his homestead for at least six months in each year for three years.

2. That the right of second entry be abolished.

3. That the assistant agent of Dominion lands be authorized to grant entries and receive application for patent, and, in the absence of the agent, perform all the duties of that officer.

4. That the Minister of Land Board may authorize entry by an agent.

5. That six months' notice be required to be given in writing to the local agent by every homesteader who intends to apply for patent. It is not intended, however, that this notice shall be allowed to defer application for patent by those persons who may have completed their homestead duties, and who may be entitled to patent at an earlier date than expiration of the period of notice.

6. That the Minister or Land Board be empowered to reserve lands for entry by intending settlers.

7. That all forms of application for patent and other forms, relating to the homestead provisions of the Dominion Lands Act, and that authority be given the Governor-in-Council to adopt such forms, receipts or certificates as may from time to time appear to be requisite.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES.

In respect to homestead duties, the board recommend that settlers should be allowed for the first two years after making entries to reside anywhere, provided certain cultivation and improvements were effected each year, and that thereafter the settler should become subject to the ordinary homestead duties of the present Act. This would enable settlers of the poorer class (and these are not in a minority) to reside anywhere for the first two years after obtaining entry, and at the same time gradually develop and improve their lands, so that at the end of this period the homesteads would be in a condition to offer them the necessary means of support. Referring to the general condition of the country the Land Commissioner says:

The depression which immediately followed the extraordinary in-

flation of four years ago, and which was rendered more pronounced and stringent by the partial failure of crops in certain districts during the past three years, is rapidly disappearing.

Today the condition of the settler is much better than it was a year ago, and the feeling of keen disappointment which followed the collapse of the excitement attending the early progress of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has given place to an improved feeling and a growing confidence in the ultimate results attainable by the economical and energetic operations of agriculture.

A sole reliance upon cereal productions has been abandoned, and throughout the country is observable the beneficial results which have followed an effort to adopt the mixed system of farming.

As through railway traffic develops over the Canadian Pacific Railway, the effect will be to completely remove the feeling, once prevalent in the minds of western settlers, that their position was one of isolation. They will now, by the fortunate completion of this enterprise, be placed immediately upon one of the great highways of the continent.

The advantage resulting to them from this changed position is obvious.

I am happy to report the satisfactory feeling that is every day increasing throughout Manitoba and the Western Territories, proving condition of the settlers—at least so far as the province is concerned—assisted, in a considerable measure, by the recent extension of the Manitoba Southwestern and Manitoba Northwestern railways.

The generally improved condition of the whole country strengthens me in the opinion that a new era of prosperity is now before us.

SURVEYS.

The survey of the Northwest was continued last year, though on a limited scale compared with previous years, only 291,689 acres having been surveyed. The total number of acres surveyed to the present time would give 418,847 farms of 160 acres capable of providing homes for as many families, which at five persons to a family would be 2,094,000 persons.

TIMBER, GRAZING AND MINING LANDS.

The receipts on account of these during the year amounted to \$84,955. The sawn lumber prepared was 21,516,323 feet; shingles, 6,646,041, and laths, 2,893,253. Seventy-two applications were made for mining lands other than coal. For coal land 69 applications were received. Hard and soft coal are selling in Winnipeg for \$9 and \$7 respectively. The number of leases of grazing land in the Northwest issued by the department was 75; some were cancelled, and there are now 58 leases, covering an area of 2,098,670 acres. In the district of Alberta there are on the ranches: Cattle, 46,936; horses, 4,313; sheep, 8,594; pigs, 50; poultry, 845. The revenue from all sources during the year amounted to \$120,012, a decrease of \$308,064 compared with the previous year. The falling off is marked, but the Deputy Minister says: "The past two months of the current fiscal year show a decided tendency to improve."

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HOME & GOSSIP.

QU'APPELLE.

—Katiepapa correspondence held over till next week. Received late.

—We have opened our stationery stock, which comprises a good assortment.

—Report of the meeting of the Board of Education will appear next week.

—Over 40,000 lbs. of freight arrived here in one day last week for our merchants.

—On Sunday morning five Irish immigrants arrived here on their way to Prince Albert.

—Messrs. Austin English and and George Murphy have returned from their trips to Ontario.

—Service with short address every Wednesday evening during Lent at St. Peter's church.

—Major Bell, R. Crawford, J. A. Kammerer, H. J. Eberts and J. Allan of Indian Head, were in town Tuesday.

—On Tuesday Mrs. St. Dennis was brought before Mr. G. S. Davidson, J. P., on a charge of larceny, but was acquitted, as the evidence was not sufficient to convict.

—We understand that after very serious consideration the Bishop of Qu'Appelle has decided to locate his Boys' School at or near the Fort. He will, however, probably start a Girls' School here.

—Mr. J. M. White the practical watchmaker and jeweler is again in town, and will be found at the Leland house where he will remain for a couple of weeks. All kinds of watches, clocks and jewelry will be repaired and warranted.

—On Wednesday evening last (St. Patrick's day) B. Battery Dramatic Club gave another of their excellent entertainments to a crowded house. The program was long and varied, and was performed with much credit to the Club. Time and space forbids further reference.

—The building of the chancel of St. Peter's church will be commenced in the spring if sufficient funds can be collected. About one third of the required sum has been already subscribed and it is hoped friends will come forward and complete the list so as to cause no delay.

—The episcopal chair (a present from a lady in England), which has been made by Mr. Thos. Milne, has been placed in St. Peter's church. It requires a few finishing touches in the way of painting the shields, etc., but Mr. Milne's work on it does him very great credit and when completed the chair will be a very fine specimen of Northwest workmanship.

—In the immigrant building, this (Friday) evening, Messrs. E. Dolan and M. Lynch, assisted by "B" Battery Comedy Co., will give a grand entertainment consisting of songs, dances, witticisms and funny sayings. Messrs. Dolan and Lynch gave an exhibition of their skill on Wednesday evening at the St. Patrick's entertainment, and made a very favorable impression which augurs well for their success this evening.

TO THE EDITOR.—

Sir: Permit me to remark with regard to the paragraph in your local news of last week expressing the thanks of B Battery to the congregation of St. Peter's church for a supply of stationery, that it was not entirely given by members of the St. Peter's congregation, but was a balance of funds subscribed by members of the various congregations in the town, for the purpose of supplying stationery, etc., for the use of the troop which were here temporarily last spring.

Yours faithfully, H. J.

TO THE EDITOR.—

Sir:—In reference to a paragraph which appeared in your last issue, about a distribution of pens, paper, etc., on behalf of a number of my fellow men wish to contradict it, as we are not indebted to any one for the above, which we never received. As we are well able to purchase our own necessities.

Yours Sincerely,
A BATTERYMAN.

AUDITOR'S SCHOOL REPORT.

—Below we give the auditors report of the financial affairs of the Qu'Appelle School.

John Christensen, for Sawing wood	3.00
H. McLeod, Making blackboard	7.00
G. B. Murphy 2 chairs and cash paid for moving outhouse	6.99
Johnston & Davidson, wood supplied	7.25
Joe. Griewe, sawing wood	1.25
A. Wimmer, pipes and sink	4.05
Jas. Robinson, work	6.75
L. Lange, wood	6.42
Jas. Mcintosh, minute book	1.00
S. H. Caswell, stove	15.00
T. Thomson, outhouses and lumber	33.54
G. H. Holmes, maps etc.	5.30
L. Lange, wood	12.65
S. M. Jarvis, rent	36.00
Jas. Wimmer, making fires	7.50
S. M. Jarvis, interest on money advanced	9.47
Procter Bros. for advertising election of district	17.20
A. C. Paterson, salary	582.50
	\$762.89
OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS.	
A. Hollingshead, painting and glazing	\$ 5.25
S. M. Jarvis, rent	36.00
D. Fraser, cleaning and repairing outhouses	2.75
Total expenditure for year	\$808.89
Amount assessed on district for school purposes	\$700.00
Amount received from N.W. Council	\$291.25
	\$991.25
Amount to credit of district	\$182.36

PRINCE ALBERT SEED GRAIN.

For the last few days the streets in town have had a lively appearance owing to the number of teams and freighters arriving from Prince Albert for the purpose of transporting the Government seed grain for distribution to the settlers in that vicinity. The officials who have had charge of the distribution of freight here, Messrs. Osler, of this place, and E. Brokovski, of Moosomin, had everything in working order and as fast as the teams came each one was loaded at once and started for its destination. Its good evidence of how smoothly and promptly matters were managed when it is stated that in one day 130 teams were loaded and sent on the return trip. They were ably assisted by Mr. A. W. McLeod as warehouseman. The amount of grain shipped north was not as large as was first estimated upon, and consisted of 3,500 bushels of wheat, 3,000 of oats and 3,000 of barley. Some 2,000 bushels of wheat and oats have also been forwarded from Indian Head. The wheat contract here was supplied by Messrs D. H. McMillan & Bros.

WOLSELEY.

—There is going to be another grand ball in Wolseley hall on the 19th.

—Miss Dill has returned from Nova Scotia. All her friends are glad to see her back.

—W. E. Grant leaves Wolseley for British Columbia the first of April. With him he carries our best wishes.

—There was strong talk some time ago of building a grist mill in Wolseley, but we all think the mill question has dropped.

—These dark nights are bad for the Wolseley ladies to be driving their girls home, for they get lost on the prairie and have to stay out all night.

ELLISBORO.

—Mr. R. J. Campbell has returned from Ontario, fresh and blooming as ever, but without a bride. The boys are wondering what happened to Bob anyway.

—A debate has been arranged between the Farmers' Club here, and the Moffat Literary Society, the debate to be held at the Wolseley hall, on Tuesday the 23rd inst. Proceeds to go towards paying debt on that building—Mr. D. thinks this the finest feature of the entertainment. The debate is to be on the resolution "that married life is preferable to single life"; Ellisboro affirmative, Moffat negative. Our married men are enticed with the subject, and are confident of victory, but the bachelors are dubious. Their ranks have been sadly thinned lately and they fear such a discussion will result in fresh desertions. The subject for our last debate was "Resolved that the mill scheme at present before our municipality is better than a scheme for a mill and elevator of double the capacity and double the bonus." Mr. Snowden the affirmative and Mr. Simmons the negative. After listening to a very animated discussion, the chairman, Mr. G. S. Black, decided in favor of the affirmative. Messrs. Snow, Simmons, Thomson and Sutherland were chosen to represent the club at the debate with Moffat.

McLEAN.

—The residents in this vicinity have decided on organizing a school district. Messrs. J. B. Davis, Hugh Kidd and J. Cowan have been appointed a committee to take the preliminary steps for that purpose.

PHEASANT PLAINS.

—A boy about 15 years of age who has been in the employment of Mr. Turner of this place about a month, left his situation on the 7th inst. under somewhat peculiar circumstances. He complained in the morning of having the headache, and was left in charge of the house, while the family went to church. On their return they found the house closed, and on entering found a note on the table informing them that he had left. Every enquiry has been made, but no one seems to have seen him go, and no clue can be obtained as to the direction he took. He was giving good satisfaction, and no reason is known for his leaving.

FORT QU'APPELLE.

From the Vidette.

—Messrs. Brodie, Nielson, and McPherson started for Pelly, on Thursday, on a surveying expedition.

—Mrs. Lay and Mr. H. B. Joyner left town on Tuesday for the old country. Mrs. Lay expects to be absent about three months, and Mr. Joyner will return in a couple of months.

—An agent of the Bell Telephone Co. has been in this neighborhood during the past few days trying to make arrangements for the construction of a telephone between here and the station.

—Mrs. Osler, the Misses Baker, Mr. E. Warner, station agent, Mr. L. Johnson, Queen's Hotel, Mr. W. Syne Redpath, Mr. Walter Blackburn, and Mr. W. E. Jones, all of Qu'Appelle Station, were in town on Tuesday.

—One of the most energetic and successful missionaries of the Methodist church is the Rev. J. McLean, B. A., of the Blood Reserve. Having been five years on the reserve about eighteen miles from Lethbridge, he is well known to many of our citizens. We were glad to see him and his family in town this week; they are all looking well, and seem in fine spirits. When spoken to regarding the Indians, he said: "I feel as safe among our blood Indians with my wife and children as I could do anywhere." He says he takes no stock in very much of the claptrap about the abuses practiced on the Indians by Government officials. He believes the Government is doing all it can for the Indians and the agents are honestly trying to carry out their instructions. If disloyal men would be very little discontent among them. When told about Gen. Middleton's intended display they were very angry and talked warlike. But after careful explanation as to the object of the Government they settled down apparently greatly relieved.

ONLY A BABY.

Written for the Progress.

"It is only a baby," thoughtless said a young lady of Qu'Appelle the other day, as she heard of the death of a little one in our midst.

"Only a baby," so young and so fair, Kissed by a sunray, lovely and rare; Then to its home, in the skies home away, Safe from its toil and care of life's day.

"Only a baby," yet loved and caressed, Gently lulled by its mother to rest, Peacefully reclining, the picture of youth, Awake in the morning the emblem of truth.

"Only a baby," so thoughtlessly said, Valued to others as things that are dead; Yet to the angels more precious than light, A heavenly jewel easily and bright.

"Only a baby," the beam of a day, Whose light shall shine when time glides away, Forever in truth resplendent and rare, The gem of a crown, costly and fair.

"Only a baby," gone to its rest, Swiftly replying in heaven's own breast, Soon to arise immortal and fair, Forever beyond the circle of care.

SYMPATHY.

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EDMONTON.

From the Bulletin.

—Seed oats are selling at 70 cts. to \$1.

—The school assessment of the H. B. Co. amounts to about \$125,000.

—The police prisoners concerned in the late mutiny to the number of 15 left for Calgary on Wednesday morning with five teams and an escort under Inspector Snyder. The teams and escort will only go to Blind Man river, where they will hand over the prisoners to an outfit from Calgary, and will return with 25 men who have been sent from Regina to reinforce this post.

WHY SOME FARMERS DO NOT SUCCEED.

They are not active and industrious. They are slothful in everything. They do not keep up with improvements.

They are wedded to old methods. They give no attention to details. They think small things not important.

They take no pleasure in their work. They regard labor as a misfortune. They weigh and measure stingily. They are wasteful and improvident. They let their gate sag and fall down.

They will not make compost. They sell hay, grain and straw off the farm instead of turning them into meat, cheese and butter and increasing their supply of manure.

They let their fowls roost in trees. They have no shelter for stock. They do not curry their horses.

They leave their ploughs in the field. They hang their harness in the dusk. They put off greasing the wagon.

They starve the calf and milk the cow. They don't know the is the cheapest.

They breed to and from scrubs. They have no method or system. They have no ears for home enterprise.

They see no good in a new thing. They never use paint on the farm. They prop the barndoor with a rail. They milk the cows late in the day. They have no time to do things well.

They do not read the best books and newspapers.

They think two dollars is better invested in whiskey and tobacco than in a subscription for a good weekly breeding and agricultural paper.

They think the buyer of a successful neighbor's stock at good prices is a fool and the seller very "lucky"—Canadian Breeder.

The medals struck for the Northwest volunteer forces will be awarded by Her Majesty the Queen and bear Her Majesty's likeness on one side and the inscription "Victoria Regina et Imperatrix" and on the other "Northwest, 1885, Canada," surrounded with maple leaves.

ANGELICAN CHURCH.

ST. PETER'S, QU'APPELLE. Sunday Services, 11 and 19 o'clock (7 p.m.) every Sunday. Holy Communion once a fortnight. Sunday School at halfpast 14 o'clock (2:30 p.m.). Week days and Saint's days as announced.

COLLEGE CHURCH. Holy Communion, 8 o'clock every fortnight. Daily Morning and Evening prayer.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH. Service at 11:30 o'clock every 3rd Sunday.

CLERGY. Rev. F. W. Pelly, Rev. W. E. Brown. Notices of Baptism, Marriage, or Funerals may be addressed to the College, or to Leslie Gordon Esq. (churchwarden.)

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Rev. A. Hamilton, B. A.

QU'APPELLE. Services at Qu'Appelle once every Sabbath; morning at 11 o'clock and evening at 19 o'clock (7 p.m.) alternately.

INDIAN HEAD. Services at Indian Head once every Sabbath; morning at 11 o'clock and evening at 19 o'clock (7 p.m.) alternately.

METHODIST CHURCH. Rev. T. Lawson. QU'APPELLE.

Service every Sunday evening at 19 o'clock (7 p.m.). Sunday school at halfpast 14 o'clock (2:30 p.m.). Class meeting every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at halfpast 19 o'clock (7:30 p.m.).

EDMONTON. Service every Sunday afternoon at halfpast 14 o'clock (2:30 p.m.).

ROYAL TEMPLES. QU'APPELLE CONVENT. Regular meeting in the Methodist church every Monday evening at 20 o'clock (8 p.m.). Rev. T. Lawson, S. C.; J. W. Peters, Sec.

MASONIC. QU'APPELLE LODGE. Regular meeting will be announced shortly. Ex. James Weidman, W. M.; S. S. Nelson, Sec.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH. QU'APPELLE CONVENT. Service every alternate Sunday in the Immaculate building at 19:30 o'clock.

Horses & Stock for Sale,

The undersigned have for sale at their farm Section 25, Township 19, Range 15, the following: 2 Heavy draft Stallions; 6 breeding Mares bearing colts; 6 heavy farm Horses; 20 cows bearing calves by a thoroughbred Durham Bull; 5 grade Bulls coming 2 years old; 2 thoroughbred Bulls coming 1 year old; 50 Kent-over pigs good size for feeding. All will be sold at low figures.

We will also offer Horses and Stock for sale at the next market. Fair at Qu'Appelle on the 1st Saturday, 3rd of April ensuing.

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Household Furniture FOR SALE.

Walnut extension Dining Table with leaves \$16.
6 Walnut Dining-room chairs \$2.75 each.
2 Walnut Folding chairs \$2 each.
Small Walnut table \$1.50.
Book case with green and gold leather binding \$15.50.
2 pair Cretonne Curtains with poles and rings, Window Blinds and rollers \$1.20.
Carpet and cedar parlor \$7.25.
Box stove \$8.50.
China afternoon Tea Set \$10.
1 pair Blue plush foot stools \$5.
Japanese Tea Tray \$2.
Writing Table \$12.
Bed room \$8.50.
Molehugan desk \$2.
Window curtains and blinds \$2.
Lamps \$5.50.
8 yards Cocoa Nut Matting \$3.50.
Bed room \$8.50, Bureau, Washstand and Bedstead \$25.
Spring Mattress \$3.50.
2 Hair mattresses \$12 each.
Dressing Table and washstand \$9.
Cooking Stove \$19.
Flowers \$1 each.
Bed-room Wair \$2.50 per set.
Kilminster Carpet \$16.
3 pair Green and White curtains \$6.
Lace curtains \$4.
Drum \$3.50.
Kitchen table \$1.
Chairs 65 cts each.
Washing Machine and 2 Tubs \$8.
Cooking Stove \$19.
Cot \$5.50 50 cts.
Iron Pots, Frypan, Toaster, etc.
Butter Churn 75 cts.
Granite Ware, Pots, Saucepans, and Tea Pot.
Tools hammers, saws, etc.
Spade, shovel, hoe, rake \$1.50.
Axe, saw \$1.
Zinc Basins 45 cts each.
Water pail 25 cts.
Patent Pan 20 cts.
Paint Brushes 20 cts each.
Baking Dishes 15 cts each.
Dinner Ware dishes cover dishes, cups, saucers and plates etc.
Cake and Bread Trays, etc., etc.
Also Brackets carved, in several work handpainted vases, Flower Baskets, Jars, Metal Baskets, Preserves dishes, Tencups, chair back etc., etc.
Intending purchasers can see the furniture by calling at the home of the undersigned between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m.

JOHN MOLONY.

Qu'Appelle, March 17th 1886.

Qu'Appelle Roller Mills,

We beg to announce that our Roller Mills at Qu'Appelle Station, are now in operation, and that we are prepared to supply the Farmers of the Municipality of Qu'Appelle, with Flour, Bran and Shorts, in exchange for Wheat on the most liberal terms.

We are also prepared to Chop Barley and Oats for Feed.

We will pay the following prices for wheat delivered at Mill: No 1 Hard 75 cents, No 2 Hard 70 cents, No 1 Northern 70 cents, No 2 Northern 65 cents. These prices are higher than the prices paid on any other market in Manitoba or the North West Territories.

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